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Pennsylvania Broilers

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Pennsylvania Broiler Placements Down 9 Percent from the Previous Week

Pennsylvania: Broiler chicks placed in the Commonwealth during the week ending March 19, 2005, were 2,813,000, down 9 percent from the previous week but 1 percent above the corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 15 percent above one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 4,073,000, down 5 percent from the previous week but up 1 percent from the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 4 percent above the comparable period last year.

Nineteen States: Broiler chicks placed in the 19 Selected States were 176,015,000, down slightly from the previous week but up 2 percent from the

corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 4 percent above one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 212,827,000, down slightly from the previous week but up 1 percent from the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 1 percent above the comparable period last year.

Expected Marketings: Expected marketings, based on placements 7-9 weeks earlier, less mortality allowance, in Pennsylvania for the week ending May 14, 2005, will be 2,910,000, up 12 percent from a year earlier. The 19 States expected marketings should total 171,066,000, 3 percent above the previous year.

Broilers Placed, Eggs Set, Expected Marketings

Period Covered	Pennsylvania			19 States		
	Number (1,000)	Percent		N	Percent	
		Previous Week	Year Earlier	Number (1,000)	Previous Week	Year Earlier
Broilers Placed						
Past Week	2,813	91	101	176,015	100	102
Past 9 Weeks	26,986	NA	115	1,574,260	NA	104
Eggs Set						
Past Week	4,073	95	101	212,827	100	101
Past 3 Weeks	12,395	NA	104	640,421	NA	101
Expected Marketings Week Ending:						
May 14, 2005	2,910	NA	112	171,066	NA	103

Poultry Slaughter: Broiler-fryers slaughtered in Pennsylvania under Federal Inspection during the week ending March 12, 2005, totaled 2,312,000 head with an average live weight of 5.16 pounds.

Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

	Week Ending					
State	Feb 12	Feb 19	Feb 26	Mar 5	Mar 12	Mar 19
	2005	2005	2005	2005	2005	2005
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand
AL	30,343	*30,422	*30,476	30,331	30,074	29,970
AR	31,020	31,179	*31,285	31,198	30,867	30,657
DE	3,929	3,927	3,929	3,955	3,906	4,071
FL	1,343	1,359	1,357	1,358	1,359	1,358
GA	33,521	33,449	33,611	33,030	33,375	33,381
KY	7,221	7,276	*7,298	7,265	*7,049	6,735
LA	4,044	4,044	4,043	4,044	*4,075	4,135
MD	8,900	8,947	8,931	8,972	8,977	8,978
MS	19,558	19,465	19,277	19,314	19,465	19,617
ND	18,637	18,474	*18,549	18,870	18,682	18,818
OK	6,467	*6,266	6,426	6,386	*6,508	6,285
PA	4,065	4,278	*3,899	*4,036	*4,286	4,073
SC	5,316	5,167	5,279	5,281	5,283	5,247
TX	15,135	15,207	15,240	15,155	15,119	15,094
VA	5,980	6,424	6,528	6,525	6,554	6,748
CA, MO, TN, & WV	18,351	*18,013	17,909	18,414	*17,881	17,660
19 State Total	213,830	*213,897	*214,037	*214,134	*213,460	212,827
Previous Year Total	208,421	209,844	210,864	210,313	210,601	210,144
Pct. Of Prev. Year	103	102	102	102	101	101

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Broiler Chicks Set, 19 Selected States

	Week Ending					
State	Feb 12 2005	Feb 19 2005	Feb 26 2005	Mar 5 2005	Mar 12 2005	Mar 19 2005
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand
AL	21,630	21,582	21,639	21,620	21,525	21,507
AR	24,929	25,110	24,831	24,187	*24,126	25,842
DE	5,314	5,039	6,723	5,948	6,085	5,819
FL	1,500	1,540	1,437	1,503	1,305	1,483
GA	26,377	26,777	27,162	*27,800	27,155	27,427
KY	6,305	6,368	6,286	5,679	*6,485	6,131
LA	3,830	3,814	3,746	3,581	*4,101	3,514
MD	4,745	5,697	4,214	5,122	4,921	4,899
MS	18,184	17,890	17,963	17,817	17,544	17,492
ND	14,668	14,893	14,556	15,140	14,881	15,097
OK	5,258	5,065	5,560	6,359	5,452	5,214
PA	2,878	3,104	*3,146	*3,108	*3,078	2,813
SC	4,722	4,560	4,449	3,957	4,633	4,277
TX	12,814	12,768	12,714	12,739	12,897	12,897
VA	5,385	5,220	5,372	4,447	4,997	5,401
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,965	*16,405	17,108	17,270	*17,594	16,202
19 State Total	175,504	*175,832	*176,906	*176,277	*176,779	176,015
Previous Year Total	167,265	167,390	168,319	169,208	170,698	171,783
Pct. Of Prev. Year	105	105	105	104	104	102

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